### EXHIBIT B

Certificate of Authority to Transact Business



## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

JESSE WHITE • Secretary of State

**FEBRUARY 24, 2005** 

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TCS CORPORATE SERVICES 118 W. EDWARDS, STE. 200 SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704-0000

RE CYPRESS COMMUNICATIONS OPERATING COMPANY, LLC

DEAR SIR OR MADAM:

IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO APPROVE YOUR REQUEST TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS. ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND AN APPROVED APPLICATION OF ADMISSION.

THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MUST FILE AN ANNUAL REPORT PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF ITS ANNIVERSARY MONTH (MONTH OF QUALIFICATION) NEXT YEAR. A PRE-PRINTED ANNUAL REPORT FORM WILL BE SENT TO THE REGISTERED AGENT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE APPROXIMATELY 60 DAYS PRIOR TO ITS ANNIVERSARY MONTH.

SINCERELY YOURS.

JESSE WHITE SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS SERVICES LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY DIVISION TELEPHONE (217)524-8008

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## Form LLC-45.5

December 2003

Jesse White
Secretary of State
Department of Business Services
Limited Liability Company Division
Room 351, Howlett Building
Springfield, IL 62756
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# Illinois Limited Liability Company Act

Application for Admission to Transact Business

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1.	Limited Liability Company name: Cypress Communications Operating Company, LLC						
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2.	The assumed name, other than the true company name, under which the LLC proposes to transact business in Illinois is:						
	(If applicable, a form application.)	LLC-1.20, Appl	lication to Adopt	an Assumed Na	me, is required to b	e completed and atta	ched to this
3.	Jurisdiction of Organization: Delaware						
4.	Date of Organizat	tlon: la	2-21-04				_
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5.	Period of Duration	n: Perpetual					<del></del>
6.	The address, inc organization, or if unacceptable):			ipal place of t			
	15 Pledmont Cen	iter, Suite 10	00				
	(Number)		(Sireel)			(Suite)	
	Atlanta, GA 3036	05					
	(City/State)	44	(ZIP Co	de)	······································	(County)	
7.	Registered agent:	TCS Corpo	rate Service:	\$			
		(First Name)	,	(Middle Name)		(Last Name)	<del></del>
	Registered Office: 118 West Edwards, Suite 200						
	. rogiotorea emee.	(Number)		(Street)		(Sulle #)	
	(P.O. Box or c/o	Springfield			Illinois	62704	<u> </u>
	are unacceptable	(City)		(County)		(ZIP Code)	
8.	The date on which	h this foreig	ın LLC first o	lid business i	n Illinois: <u>V</u> VO	n qualifica	non

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9. The purpose or purposes for which the company is organized and proposes to conduct in this State: Include the business code # (IRS Form 1065).

TO Provide telecommunications services code # 8999

- 10. The limited liability company is managed by:

  manager(s)

  vested in member(s)
- 11. The Illinois Secretary of State is hereby appointed the agent of the limited liability company for service of process under the circumstances set forth in a subsection (b) of Section 1-50 of the ILLCA.
- 12. This application is accompanied by a certificate of good standing or existence, as well as a copy of the articles of organization, as amended, duly authenticated within the left thirty (30) days, by the officer of the state or country wherein the LLC is formed.
- 13. If the period of duration is a date certain and is not stated in the Articles of Organization from the domestic state, a copy of that page from the Operating Agreement stating the date must also be submitted.
- 14. The undersigned affirms, under penalties of perjury, having authority to sign hereto, that this application for admission to transact business is to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct and complete.

Dated December 39 (Year)

(Month/Day) (Year)

(Signature)
(Signatu

"(If applicant is a company or other entity, state name of company and indicate whether it is a member or manager of the LLC.)